

anyone comes through the back gate he commences to scream and if they should attempt to cross the threshold he doubles his effort. I cannot sufficiently stress the lengths he will go to to display his obvious terror of apparently everyone but his parents and the maid, who has been with me since he was seven months old. Also, he will not go into a shop or anyone else's house without similar disturbances. The worst of it is, he doesn't get over it but just screams until the caller goes. I am almost distracted for I assure you I have underrated rather than exaggerated my troubles."

3. "She is possessed of a violent temper and lately seems to have become worse. She is normally a most whining child, very affectionate, high spirited and very quick and full of boundless energy, on the go from morning till night, big for her age but thin and wiry, but she is dreadfully jealous of the others, except Baby whom she adores. When she flies into a temper she will kick or strike any of us, or roll on the floor or get into a corner and refuse to move. If you go near her her shouts can be heard in the next road. I have tried to explain as fully as possible, as it is almost frightening to see Jean worked up in one of her rages and I feel the example is so bad to the others. She is usually repentant after but will not speak about it or answer any questions, always turns the conversation. The jealousy was very acute when Baby arrived, but I got her to love the baby and now I think she only feels jealous over her father or me if we do anything for the others or take them out and not her."

4. "But it is his attitude to his little sister that worries me most. I cannot make him remember he is older or instil the smallest bit of the protective attitude into him. He wants to be treated exactly as she is and to have everything she has, and takes anything from her, often hitting her or knocking her over until I am really scared to leave them together. I may say she sticks up for herself well, but there is three and a half years' difference. When talked to he is all

affection and
promises at once never to do it again, but not
five minutes
elapse before he is as bad as ever."
5. "I must write and tell you of my
experience with this
'jealous hostility'. I took your advice and a
month ago two
little two-year-olds came to live with us as
companions for
my son of the same age. They looked so sweet
together—all
red-cheeked, curly-haired, adored only children
but, unfortunately, *they hated each other*. I was in
despair. I'd no idea
babies could be so horrid to each other. We
daren't leave
them alone for a moment—such shrieks and yells
would come
from the nursery. They would pull each
other's hair out by